

MONTANA TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, CARBON COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of)	Probate No. DP 17-01
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KAREN HILL-LECOU,)	Judge Blair Jones
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Deceased.)	ORDER ADJUDICATING
)	INTESTACY AND DETERMINING
)	HEIRS, AND APPOINTMENT OF
)	PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
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The Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of Heirs, and Appointment of Personal Representative (the "Petition") of **GARY HILL** having come on for hearing, the Court makes the following findings:

1. The Petition is complete and is supported by evidence that the statements contained therein are true.

2. **KAREN HILL-LECOU** (the "Decedent") died April 5, 2016 and at least 120 hours have elapsed since the Decedent's death. At the time of death, the Decedent was domiciled in Carbon County, Montana.

3. The Decedent died intestate.

4. The Decedent was survived by the following heirs:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>RELATIONSHIP</u>	<u>AGE</u>
Robert James LeCou	Gallatin County Detention Center 605 S. 16 th Ave. Bozeman, MT 59715	Spouse	Legal
Kathy Ingham	726 N. McDonald Rd. Apt. 18 Spokane Valley, WA 99216	Sister	Legal
Susan Almon	1703 McCellen St. Richland, WA 99352	Sister	Legal
Gary Hill	25016 E. Rosewood Newman Lake, WA 99025	Brother	Legal

5. Venue is proper for the reason stated in the Petition.

6. Notice required by Mont. Code Ann. § 72-3-305 and § 72-3-106 has been given and proof thereof having been made and filed.

7. The time limit for original probate has not expired.

8. No personal representative of the Decedent's estate has been appointed in Montana or elsewhere whose appointment has not been terminated.

9. The heirs of the Decedent were unable to unanimously concur in nominating another to act for them and the Court may appoint any qualified person pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 72-3-504. The Court determines that pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 72-3-501(2), Robert James LeCou, though given notice of the proceedings, is unsuitable to serve, as he is currently in custody and stands accused of Decedent's death. The remaining heirs of Decedent's estate have nominated **GARY HILL** as personal representative and he is otherwise qualified and suitable.

1 **NOW, THEREFORE**, it is determined that the Decedent died intestate and was
2 survived by the foregoing heirs, that **GARY HILL** is hereby ordered appointed personal
3 representative of the Decedent's estate without bond, and that Letters shall be issued to said
4 personal representative upon qualification and acceptance.

5 Dated this 17th day of May, 2017.

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7 C: Beddow

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9 DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

10 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**
11 This is to certify that the foregoing was duly
12 served by mail or fax upon the parties or their
13 attorneys of record at their last known address

14 this 17th day of May, 2017

15 By Auson E. Metesky
16 Clerk / Deputy Clerk